

1889-90. The Handstamp Surcharges.2 Atts on 1 Att on 3 Atts.

The dearth of 2 Atts stamps became so great that the authorities were obliged to resort to the expedient of re-surcharging the 1 Att on 3 Atts with a 2 Atts handstamp. For this purpose Handstamp Type 2 was employed and the stamps to be resurcharged had the Siamese numeral more or less cleaned off (this is very obvious on all the specimens), and then the two fresh numerals were added from separate handstamps. That they were so added is shewn from the fact that the word *POST* is always single.

These stamps are of extreme rarity.

